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HEW HAS INVESTIGATED REQUEST IN REFTEL (B) AND OFFERS FOLLOWING COMMENT:

1. ALL FOREIGN PHYSICIANS WHO WOULD PROVIDE CARE TO PATIENTS AS PART OF THEIR TRAINING MUST HAVE PASSED THE ECFMG. THIS EXAMINATION IS OFFERED TWICE YEARLY IN SEVERAL OVERSEAS LOCATIONS. NEAREST SITE TO CAIRO AT PRESENT WOULD BE AMMAN JORDAN. EMBASSY SHOULD BE AWARE HOWEVER, THAT THIS AUGUST EGYPT REQUESTED ESTABLISHMENT AN ECFMG STATION IN CAIRO. NEXT DATES TO TAKE EXAMINATION ARE JAN 22 AND JULY 23. CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATION THESE TWO SESSIONS ARE OCT 23, 1974 AND APRIL 23, 1975.

2. NO EXCEPTIONS TO ECFMG REQUIREMENT POSSIBLE IN EITHER CIVILIAN OR MILITARY HOSPITALS AS LONG AS PATIENT CARE OF ANY KIND IS INVOLVED. NO REQUIREMENT FOR PHYSICIANS LIMITING THEIR ACTIVITY TO BASIC BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH OR ADMINISTRATION.

3. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT DESCRIPTION OF TRAINING NEEDS BE CLARIFIED. IS A ROUTINE RESIDENCY A FELLOWSHIP OR A FORMAL TRAINING COURSE
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OF LIMITED DURATION IMPLIED?

4. ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGES HAS OFFERED TO
ASSIST IN PLACEMENT OF QUALIFIED SURGEONS IN TOP LEVEL SCHOOLS
WHEN FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING NEEDS AS OUTLINED IN 3 ABOVE
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